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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method of mounting a flexible material onto a surface, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a first and a second elongated web of said flexible material;

disposing said first and second webs on the surface in a longitudinally aligned relationship with one another, wherein a first edge of said first web abuts a first edge of said second web to form a longitudinal engagement point;

securing at least one clamping strip onto the longitudinal engagement point ~~without utilizing a mechanical fastener~~, said clamping strip adapted to secure the longitudinal engagement point in a stable position; and

securing a batten cap over said clamping strip, said batten cap having a curved first surface and a curved second surface, said curved first surface of the batten cap contacting a complementary curved surface of said first web, said curved second surface of the batten cap contacting a complementary curved surface of said second web, wherein said the batten cap contacts said first and second elongated webs in a manner to urge said urges the first and second elongated webs toward against each other at the engagement point.

2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising securing a plurality of batten caps and a plurality of clamping strips over said longitudinal engagement point.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said flexible material comprises a photovoltaic material and said surface the flexible material is mounted onto comprises a roof deck.

4. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising disposing a membrane material onto said roof deck prior to said disposing of first and second webs.

5. (previously presented) The method of claim 3, further comprising the step of applying a sheet of membrane material between the roof deck and said first and second webs of photovoltaic material.

6. (currently amended) The method of claim 3, further comprising the step of establishing electrical communication to each of said webs of photovoltaic ~~roofing~~ material.

7. (original) The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of establishing electrical communication in a region of a soffit of the roof.

8. (original) The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of establishing electrical connection in a region of a ridge of the roof.

9. (original) The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of establishing electrical communication proximate a transverse extending edge of each of said webs of photovoltaic material.

10. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said longitudinal engagement point forms a substantially triangular shape having said surface as a base that the flexible material is mounted onto, said first edge of said first web as a first side and said first edge of said second web as a second side.

11. (currently canceled)

12. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~11~~ 1, wherein said curved first surface portion of said batten cap ~~first side~~ has an arcuate shape configured to resiliently maintain contact with said complimentary surface of the first web adjacent said longitudinal engagement point, and ~~said curved portion of batten cap second side has an arcuate shape configured to resiliently maintain contact with said second web adjacent said longitudinal engagement point.~~

13. (currently canceled)

Claims 14 and 15 (previously canceled)

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising securing a portion of said first elongated web to said surface that the flexible material is mounted onto utilizing a securing means and securing a portion of said second elongated web to ~~said~~ the surface utilizing a securing means.

17. (currently amended) A system for securing photovoltaic material onto a surface, comprising:

a first flexible web of photovoltaic material and a second flexible web of photovoltaic material, said first and second webs set onto the surface in a longitudinally aligned relationship with one another, wherein a first edge of said first web abuts a first edge of said second web to form a longitudinal engagement point;

at least one clamping strip secured onto the longitudinal engagement point without utilizing a mechanical fastener, said clamping strip adapted to secure the longitudinal engagement point in a stable position; and

a batten cap secured over said clamping strip, said batten cap having a curved first surface and a curved second surface, said curved first surface of the batten cap contacting a complementary curved surface of said first web, said curved second surface of the batten cap contacting a complementary curved surface of said second web, wherein said the batten cap ~~contacts said first and second webs in a manner to urge said~~ urges the first and second webs toward against each other at the engagement point.

18. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein each of said first and second webs comprises a generally central photovoltaic area encapsulated within a polymeric material, said polymeric material having both side and end extending edges beyond said photovoltaic area and a pair of contact terminals extending from a selected end of said flexible web for establishing electrical communication with the photovoltaic area.

19. (currently amended) The system of claim 17, wherein said longitudinal engagement point forms a substantially triangular shape having said surface as a base that the photovoltaic material is mounted onto, said first edge of said first web as a first side and said first edge of said second web as a second side.

20. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein said clamping strip is fabricated from a material selected from the group consisting of aluminum, iron, steel, stainless steel, nylons or polystyrene.

21. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein said batten cap is fabricated from a material selected from the group consisting of aluminum, iron, steel, stainless

steel, nylons or polystyrene.

22. (currently amended) The system of claim 18, wherein each of said first and second webs has a substantially uniform thickness throughout cross sections having said photovoltaic area, said uniform thickness tapering to a thinner thickness at said edges and sides of polymeric material.

23. (currently canceled)

24. (currently amended) The system of claim ~~23~~ 17, wherein said curved first surface portion of batten cap ~~first-side~~ has an arcuate shape configured to resiliently maintain contact with said complimentary surface of the first web ~~adjacent said longitudinal point, and said curved portion of batten cap second side has an arcuate shape configured to resiliently maintain contact with said second web adjacent said longitudinal point.~~

25. (currently canceled)

26. (currently amended) The system of claim 17, further comprising a portion of said first web secured to said surface that the photovoltaic material is mounted onto

utilizing a securing means and a portion of said second web to secured to said the surface utilizing a securing means.

27. (previously presented) The system of claim 26, wherein said means for securing is selected from the group consisting of screws, nails and adhesive.

28. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a ridge roller configured to rotatably secure a spool of photovoltaic material to facilitate the drawing and sectioning of discreet lengths of photovoltaic material, at least one of said first flexible web of photovoltaic material and said second flexible web of photovoltaic material supplied by said spool.

29. (previously presented) The system of claim 28, wherein said ridge roller comprises a first set of legs adapted to run along a first rail; a second set of legs adapted to run along a second rail, said second rail approximately parallel to said first rail; and a cradle adapted to rotatably support said spool.

30. (previously presented) The system of claim 28, wherein said ridge roller comprises a first sliding panel having a first set of wheels; a second sliding panel having a second set of wheels; at least one first locking means, said first locking means adapted to lock said first sliding panel into a desired position; and at least one second locking means, said second locking means adapted to lock said second sliding panel into a desired position.

31. (previously presented) The system of claim 30, wherein said first set of wheels is adapted to run along a first rail and a second set of wheels adapted to run along a second rail, said second rail approximately parallel to said first rail.